

Single Case: **Infant with Neck Dysfunction**

Abstract: A mother brought her infant (3 months) son to my office seeking treatment for his hesitation to turn his head to the left. Using Integrative Manual Therapy (IMT) normal head turning behaviour was restored in 4 treatment sessions.

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Examination

History: The mother of this young client reported that she had noticed this head turning behaviour presented in her son at about 6 weeks of age. The mother watched for this behaviour to correct itself, thinking it may have occurred as part of his birthing process. The child was not experiencing any discomfort nor did he appear 'bothered' by this behaviour as reported by the parent.

Static Posture: none performed

Range of Motion: The range of motion assessed for was rotation active free. The infant was stimulated with the sound of his mother's voice to look right and then left. He freely looked right but was hesitant to look left. His mother could turn his head left without difficulty and without pain to the child.

Observations/Palpation: Cranial assessment was performed resulting in some restrictions noted in the dural tube. Some fascial imbalances were also noted in the cervical spine. Cranial motility of the dural tube was asynchronous.

Treatment

This client received 4- 1 hour treatment sessions in which IMT and Cranial Therapy were used to resolve this infant's symptom. Rebalancing of tissue tensions and pressures was achieved with Neural Fascial Processing and Disruption of Membrane techniques.

Outcomes

The mother of this child reported that he began turning his head before the treatment sessions were completed. At a four month check in with the mother her son turns his head fully in both directions without hesitation.

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